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TAGS: MCAP, NATO, NL

SUBJECT: NETHERLANDS DEFENSE PLANS

1. DUTCH PRESS ACCOUNT OBTAINED HERE QUOTED PRIMIN  
DEN UYL AS SAYING ON JUNE 14 THAT "THE RESTRUCTURING  
OF THE NETHERLANDS ARMED FORCES IS NOT DEPENDENT  
ON MBFR, AT LEAST THAT IN THE EVENT OF POSSIBLE FAILURE  
THE NETHERLANDS WILL REGAIN ITS FREEDOM TO CARRY OUT  
THE INTENDED PLANS WITH REGARD TO THE READY TROOPS."

2. WE WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING AUTHORITATIVE TEXT  
OF DEN UYL'S REMARKS. (BEGIN FYI. WHILE ABOVE, IF AN  
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ACCURATE QUOTATION, IS PERHAPS ALREADY IMPLICIT IN

DUTCH PROMISE NOT TO MAKE ARMY REDUCTIONS DURING MBFR  
NEGOTIATIONS, WE ARE CONCERNED AT SUGGESTION, PARTICULARLY  
IN PUBLIC STATEMENT AT THIS JUNCTURE THAT (A) DUTCH,  
DESPITE ASSURANCES, WOULD NEVERTHELESS BE PREPARED TO  
REDUCE FORCES IF MBFR NEGOTIATIONS BREAK DOWN; AND (B)  
THAT DUTCH MIGHT ESTABLISH THEIR OWN CRITERIA FOR  
"FAILURE" OF MBFR NEGOTIATIONS AND MAKE JUDGMENT ON  
"FAILURE" MORE ON BASIS OF DOMESTIC PRESSURE TO IMPLEMENT  
ARMY REDUCTIONS THAN ON ACTUAL STATUS OF NEGOTIATIONS.  
END FYI.) SISCO

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